

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (previously presented) An isolated nucleic acid molecule other than a naturally occurring chromosome comprising a sequence encoding the amino acid sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:8.

2. (canceled)

3. (previously presented) An isolated nucleic acid molecule according to Claim 1, wherein said nucleic acid comprises the nucleotide sequence set forth in SEQ ID NO:7.

4-6. (canceled)

7. (original) An expression cassette comprising a transcriptional initiation region functional in an expression host, a nucleic acid having a sequence of the isolated nucleic acid according to Claim 1 under the transcriptional regulation of said transcriptional initiation region, and a transcriptional termination region functional in said expression host.

8. (original) A cell comprising an expression cassette according to Claim 7 as part of an extrachromosomal element or integrated into the genome of a host cell as a result of introduction of said expression cassette into said host cell, and the cellular progeny of said host cell.

9. (original) A cell comprising a nucleic acid according to Claim 1 as part of an extrachromosomal element or integrated into the genome of a host cell as a result of introduction of said expression cassette into said host cell, and the cellular progeny of said host cell.

10. (original) A method for producing GRAIL protein, said method comprising: growing a cell according to Claim 8, whereby said GRAIL protein is expressed; and isolating said GRAIL protein free of other proteins.

11-19 (canceled)